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SUBJECT: SAFETY OF NAVIGATION IN MALACCA STRAITS

1. MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS JUN 26 ISSUED FOLLOWING
STATEMENT:

2. " IN KEEPING WITH THE DECISIONS CONTAINED IN THE
JOINT STATEMENT OF NOVEMBER 1971, IN WHICH THE THREE
COASTAL STATES HAD AGREED TO CO- OPERATE ON THE SAFTEY
OF NAVIGATION IN THE STRAITS OF MALACCA AND SINGAPORE
AND AS A FOLLOW- UP TO THE MEETINGHELD IN JAKARTA ON
JULY 1972, THE DELEGATIONS OF INDONESIA, MALAYSIA AND
SINGAPORE MET IN KUALA LUMPUR ON JUN 25 AND 26, 1973."

3. " THE MEETING REVIEWED THE PROGRESS OF THE STUDIES
MADE BY THE RESPECTIVE GOVERNMENTS ON MATTERS RELATING
TO NAVIGATIONAL SAFETY MEASURES RAISED AT THE JAKARTA
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MEETING LAST YEAR. THE MEETING WAS SATISFIED THAT THERE HAS BEEN STEADY PROGRESS TOWARDS THE ATTAINMENT OF THE OBJECTIVE OF ENSURING THE SAFETY OF NAVIGATION IN THE STRAITS OF MALACCA AND SINGAPORE."

4. " THE MEETING AGREED THAT THERE IS A NEED FOR A LIMITATION OF DRAUGHT OF VESSELS PASSING THROUGH THE

STRAITS, HAVING REGARD TO THE PHYSICAL LIMITATIONS OF THE STRAITS. IT WAS ALSO AGREED THAT A GROUP OF EXPERTS FROM THE THREE COUNTRIES SHOULD CARRY OUT FURTHER STUDIES WITH THE VIEW TO ESTABLISHING A TRAFFIC SEPARATION SCHEME FOR THE STRAITS OF MALACCA AND SINGAPORE. THE GROUP OF EXPERTS WOULD WORK OUT THE DETAILS OF THE SCHEME TAKING INTO ACCOUNT A SAFETY MARGIN COMPATIBLE WITH THE INTERESTS OF THE COASTAL STATES TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF THE COASTAL STATES, AS WELL AS THE INTERESTS OF THE USERS OF THE STRAITS."

5. " THE MEETING ALSO AGREED TO ESTABLISH A BODY FOR CO- OPERATION AND CO- ORDINATION OF EFFORTS IN THE STRAITS OF MALACCA AND SINGAPORE AS ENVISAGED IN THE JOINT STATEMENT OF NOVEMBER 1971. THE DETAILS OF THE STRUCTURE, SCOPE AND RESPONSIBILITY OF THIS BODY WILL BE WORKED OUT BY THE THREE GOVERNMENTS."

6. " THE MEETING AGREED TO CONTINUE THE CONSULTATION IN THE SPIRIT OF TRIPARTITE CO- OPERATION."

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